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INFILTRATION OF TERRORISTS FROM PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no decrease in infiltration of terrorists from Pakistan despite deployment of armed forces at borders;

(b) whether the Government have identified the weak points at borders from where infiltration is continuing;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the strategy to be adopted by Defence forces to check infiltration across the border?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) There is a decrease in infiltration of terrorists from Pakistan during the last two months.

(b) to (d): The Army has identified probable routes of infiltration by terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir. However, the configuration of terrain, prevailing climatic conditions and active abetment by Pakistan precludes a complete sealing of the Line of Control against infiltrating terrorists.

The Army has instituted a comprehensive surveillance system and adopted a suitable defensive posture to check infiltration from across the International Border/Line of Control in Jammu & Kashmir.